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SUBJ: INVITATION TO VICE PRESIDENT TO VISIT PORTUGAL

1. LAST NIGHT, JANUARY 21, PRIME MINISTER MARIO SOARES TOLD ME HE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE TO VISIT PORTUGAL. HE WAS ASKING ME TO CONVEY THE INVITATION RATHER THAN PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON THEMIDO TO EMPHASIZE DIRECTLY THE INFORMALITY HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ATTACHED TO THE VISIT. HE WAS LESS INTERESTED IN PROTOCOL AND SYMBOLISM THAN IN HAVING SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT.

2. SOARES SAID IT WOULD BE IDEAL IF THE VICE PRESIDENT COULD MAKE A STOP IN PORTUGAL ON HIS FORTHCOMING TRIP, BUT HE RECOGNIZED THAT PLANS WERE UNDOUBTEDLY FAR ADVANCED AND THAT MIGHT BE IMPOSSIBLE. IF SO HE HOPED THE VICE PRESIDENT WOULD PLAN TO INCLUDE PORTUGAL IN HIS NEXT TRIP.

3. COMMENT: I HAVE HAD SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS WITH SOARES ABOUT THE VICE PRESIDENT AND HE IS GENUINELY ANXIOUS TO MEET HIM AND HAVE AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. I FEEL CONFIDENT SUCH A MEETING WOULD PRODUCE AN IMMEDIATE BOND OF UNDERSTANDING
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AND FRIENDSHIP AND WOULD BE HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE IN TERMS OF US-PORTUGUESE RELATIONS. VIEWED FROM HERE I SHOULD ALSO THINK THAT SUCH A VISIT WOULD HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS IN TERMS OF THE US IMAGE IN GENERAL. I URGE THAT IT BE GIVEN SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.
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